

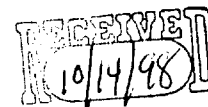


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Dr. Elizabeth Yetley  
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Dear Dr. Yetley:

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the requirements of Section 403(r)(6)(21 U.S.C. 343(r)(6) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act of statements of nutritional support which have been made on the label and/or in the labeling in connection with the marketing of the dietary supplement DOUBLE STRENGTH GLUCOSAMINE AND CHONDROITIN 500/400. DOUBLE STRENGTH GLUCOSAMINE AND CHONDROITIN 500/400 was first marketed with these statements of nutritional support on Friday, September 4, 1998. The statements of nutritional support are as follows:

"The formula used in recent scientific studies to help repair CARTILAGE and support healthy JOINTS & TISSUES"

Very truly yours,

MASON VITAMINS, INC.

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